

How much will I receive in 2005?

Available funding (\$1.9 million) will be divided by the total population of all qualified RUs, as defined by population statistics provided to DNR by Wisconsin Department of Administration. Each qualified applicant will receive a distribution based on a flat per capita rate. For 2005, a grant under this program, when combined with the RU's basic recycling grant, may not exceed the net eligible recycling expenses incurred and reported on the 2003 Annual Report (form 4400-182). **Note that this restricts applicants to those RUs that were grantees in 2003 and 2005 and submitted cost information through their 2003 Annual Report.**

For a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), see the attached FAQ Sheet.

Summary Sheet

RECYCLING EFFICIENCY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM

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Grants/recycle/efficiency.html](http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/Grants/recycle/efficiency.html)

What is the Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant program?

This grant program rewards Responsible Units that have made efforts to improve the efficiency of their recycling programs.

Who can apply for 2005?

All Responsible Units that operate an “effective” recycling program and that received Basic Recycling Grant funds in 2003 and 2005.

A Responsible Unit is defined as cities, towns, villages, special purpose recycling districts, and counties designated by a municipality to operate a recycling program within a municipality.

An effective recycling program is one that meets the requirements identified in ch. NR 544, Wis. Admin. Code.

How much is available?

\$1.9 million is available for the calendar year 2005. Funds will be distributed by June 30, 2005. Availability of funds in future grant years is dependent upon legislative appropriations.

How can I apply for a grant in 2005?

Submit a complete application form to the DNR, **postmarked NO LATER than October 30, 2004**. Go to the following DNR website to obtain a copies of the grant applications and instructions for both the Recycling Grants to Responsible Units and the Recycling Efficiency Incentives Grant:

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/grants/Recycle/recycle.html>

What qualifies me for a grant in 2005?

To qualify for funds, Responsible Units must be able to claim that at least one of the efficiencies below were in place by October 31, 2004 and completed by December 31, 2004:

1. Was a RU formed by the merger of 2 or more prior RUs (consolidation per ch. 287.09 and ch.66, Wis. Stats.), or
2. Was a party to at least one cooperative agreement with at least one other RU, consistent with requirements for local government cooperative agreements in s. 66.0301, Wis. Stats. The cooperative agreements must be for activities in at least one of the following recycling categories:
 - a) Collection and transportation of recyclables
 - b) Sorting of recyclables at a MRF

- c) Comprehensive program planning
- d) Educational efforts about recycling

Responsible Units must have entered into written cooperative agreements for either joint vendor services or shared recycling services. Examples are as follows:

Joint Vendor Services – Two or more RUs jointly solicit proposals from and hire one vendor to provide recycling collection, transportation, sorting, planning, or educational services.

Shared Recycling Services – One RU collects recyclables from both its residents and the residents of a neighboring RU. Collected recyclables are taken to the other RUs Materials Recovery Facility where they are sorted and ultimately marketed.